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Question:

(Climate Change Vulnerability Study) Refer to Exhibit CLP-TSP-4. In the Final Decision of Docket No. 17-12-03RE08, on p. 79, the Authority instructed the Company to consider the findings of three climate change reports that were specific to Connecticut. Can the Company explain how these three reports were consulted and, if at all, incorporated into the findings of this exhibit?

Response:

The Company reviewed the three climate change reports and all reports are Connecticut specific. From a methodology and process standpoint, the Company did not find that these three climate change reports are contradictory to its Climate Vulnerability Assessment. However, the Connecticut Physical Climate Science Assessment Report and the CIRCA Sea Level Rise in Connecticut Final Report are older reports, consistent with older Global Climate Models than the ones used in the Company's Climate Vulnerability Assessment (CVA). Further, because the Company's ultimate interest is to evaluate the need for a targeted climate adaptation plan, it is important that a CVA include projections for multiple years to prioritize based on the projected changes over time. For example, the CIRCA Sea Level Rise is published for 2050 only. For efficiency and consistency reasons, the Company proceeded with a comprehensive climate study across its tristate territory.